

## Elms Environmental Education Center

### St. Mary's County Public Schools



#### Environmental Stewardship

#### Native Plant Initiative

The seventh grade program has historically been a system wide service learning opportunity. In 2011 we transitioned



Seventh Grade

Service Learning Spotlight

from working on Oyster restoration, after the Piney Point Aquaculture Center temporarily went offline, and started a native plant nursery at the Elms. Seventh graders study the ecology of wetland plants and serve the nursery by helping to grow plants that are made freely

available to non-

profits, schools, scouts

and master gardeners. Public plant sales for private homeowners are held once a year.



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